

read. Testimony was heard from Representatives Zoe Lofgren of California, Goodlatte, and King of Iowa.

Joint Meetings

WESTERN BALKANS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Commission concluded a hearing to examine the Western Balkans, focusing on developments in 2010 and hopes for the future, after receiving testimony from Thomas Countryman, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Ramona Emilia Romero, of Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture, 10:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: To hold hearings to examine the state of the credit union industry; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nomination of Joseph A. Smith, Jr., of North Carolina, to be Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Finance: To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Carolyn W. Colvin, of Maryland, to be

Deputy Commissioner of Social Security, Social Security Administration, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Sue Kathrine Brown, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Montenegro, Joseph M. Torsella, of Pennsylvania, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, David Lee Carden, of New York, to be Representative to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, Pamela L. Spratlen, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kyrgyz Republic, and Daniel L. Shields III, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam, all of the Department of State, and Eric G. Postel, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Select Committee on Intelligence: To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Alzheimer's Disease: The Ongoing Challenges," 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on Civil Liberties and National Security, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Update on WikiLeaks Unauthorized Disclosures, 1 p.m., 304-HVC.